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## AMENDMENT

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2003, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 13 and 16 without prejudice and amend Claim 12 as follows:

- 1-11. (Cancelled)
- 12. (Currently Amended) A coupler having a core, said core having a closed perimeter of a thickness, said coupler also including two primary windings and a secondary winding, the two primary windings crossing within the perimeter of said core, the S:\WX\Amendments\2003 Amendments\D99182.amd.doc